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SUBJECT: ECE - SENIOR ECONOMIC ADVISERS, AD HOC MEETING
ON THE OEP, SEPTEMBER 6-10

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FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE FOR SUBJECT MEETING:

1. REVISED PRELIMINARY VERSION OF OEP DOES NOT ALTER
PREVIOUS USG VIEWS OF THIS DOCUMENT (I.E. THAT DATA
SUBMITTED BY EAST AND WEST ARE NOT REALLY COMPARABLE AND
THEREFORE OEP HAS VERY LIMITED USEFULNESS). OUR VIEWS
CORRESPOND ENTIRELY WITH THOSE OF STANOVNIK, AS DESCRIBED
GENEVA 4265. DURING STANOVNIK'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN
JUNE, MATTER WAS DISCUSSED THOROUGHLY WITH SIDNEY JONES
IN COURSE OF LUNCHEON HOSTED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEWIS.
WE ALSO NOTE THAT WESTERN CAUCUS VIEWS (PARA 2, GENEVA 5368)
CORRESPOND TO OUR OWN- ACCORDINGLY, USDEL SHOULD, WHILE
AVOIDING INVOLVEMENT IN DEBATE ON MERITS OR LACK THEREOF
OF OEP, FULLY SUPPORT STANOVNIK AND WESTERN CAUCUS APPROACH
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2. AT APPROPRIATE OCCASION, USDEL SHOULD MAKE THE POINT THAT SIDNEY JONES REMAINS THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ECE SENIOR ECONOMIC ADVISERS, BUT UNFORTUNATELY IS PREVENTED FROM ATTENDING THIS SESSION DUE TO HIS HEAVY ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AT THIS TIME .

3. SIDNEY JONES HAS SUGGESTED THE FOLLOWING TOPICS FOR FUTURE SEMINARS; USDEL SHOULD PROPOSE THESE FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER AGENDA ITEM 5(B):

A. THE ROLE OF ECONOMIC INSTITUTIONS IN EAST-WEST ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

B. THE NEED FOR STANDARDIZING ECONOMIC STATISTICS AS A MEANS OF IMPROVING EAST-WEST EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.

C. THE RATIONALIZATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE: TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, SERVICES, INFORMATION DATA BANKS, BANKING SERVICES, ETC.

IN SUGGESTING THESE TOPICS, USDEL SHOULD URGE THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN IN FUTURE TO TOPICS WHICH RELATE TO PROVISIONS OF CSCE FINAL ACT AND TO BROADER PROBLEMS OR INTERESTS SHARED WITH OTHER ECE BODIES. KISSINGER

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